



PASUGUAN NG PILIPINAS

EMBASSY OF THE PHILIPPINES

WASHINGTON, D.C.

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The Hon. Ed Case
115 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Case,

On behalf of the Filipino World War II Veterans, and of the Embassy of the Republic of the Philippines, I have the honor to extend my sincerest appreciation for your statement recognizing the contributions of Filipinos who took part in the liberation of thousands of American and Filipino prisoners of war.

The rescue missions, which were carried out by the US Army and Filipino guerillas, saved many from cruel torment and certain death. Their selfless acts deserve to be remembered as among the bravest exploits of World War II.

The joint effort to free Allied prisoners was also a valiant demonstration of the strong friendship that exists between Filipinos and Americans. That friendship gave rise to an Alliance that remains, to this day, a pillar of security for both the Philippines and the United States.

I thank you for acknowledging the heroism that our Filipino Veterans displayed in defense of democracy, freedom and justice. I further look forward to your support for the cause of the Filipino Veterans during the 109th US Congress.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Albert F. del Rosario".

Albert F. del Rosario
Ambassador